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Dear Sir:

This is a response to the Office Action, mailed March 27, 2003, due for response on or before June 27, 2003. Applicant petitions for a one month extension of time pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 and authorizes the Commissioner to charge the appropriate fee pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.117(a) regarding small entity filing fees to Deposit Account No. 07-0153. In view of the following remarks, Applicant requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections, and allowance of the claims pending in this application.

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 5 of this paper.